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28<sup>th</sup> INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents, other than U.S. patent documents, are enclosed.

### REMARKS

The following documents were cited in a Japanese Official Action of a foreign counterpart application (Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-538343) corresponding to the above-referenced application:

- (1) JP-A 10-316210;
- (2) JP-A 11-085858; and
- (3) JP-A 2000-276335.

English-language Abstracts for the JP-A documents were obtained from a commercial database and are also enclosed, together with machine-translated translations of Documents (1) and (3). Applicants submit that US 6,202,925 B1 is in the family of Document (2). The Japanese Official Action is dated December 12, 2006. A copy of the Japanese Official Action is also enclosed, together with an English-language partial translation.

### FORMAL MATTERS

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### CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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		<b>6,202,925 B1</b>	<b>03/20/2001</b>	<b>Machii, et al.</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>380</b>	
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
		<b>10-316210</b>	<b>12/02/1998</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Yes &amp; Abstract</b>
		<b>11-085858</b>	<b>03/30/1999</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
		<b>2000-276335</b>	<b>10/06/2000</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Yes &amp; Abstract</b>
OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)							
<b>Japanese Official Action in Japanese Patent Appln. No. 2002-538343 (with partial translation)</b>							
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